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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Final Office Action of March 1, 2005, Claims 9-15 and 17 are rejected under 35

U.S.C. §102(e) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,762,458 issued to Wang et

al.; Claims 1-5, 7 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e), or in the alternative under

35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,246,200 issued to

Blumenkranz et al.; and Claim 16 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base

claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the

limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 16 has been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of Claim

9 (its base claim). Accordingly, Claim 16 is believed to be allowable, and an early notice

of its allowability earnestly solicited. Claims 1-15 and 17 are cancelled. New claims 18-

25 have been added to more fully claim the full scope of applicants' invention, and are

also believed to be allowable. Consideration of these new claims and an early notice of

their allowability are earnestly requested.

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